

NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Judicial Resources Commission will hold a public hearing pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 24-1204 to determine whether, based on the judicial workload statistics, a judicial vacancy exists in the office of county judge of the 12th Judicial District, due to the retirement of the Honorable James Hansen, effective June 1, 2009, and make a recommendation to the Supreme Court as to the principal place of office of said vacancy.

The hearing is scheduled for Monday, June 8, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., central time. The hearing will be held via video conferencing from the State Capitol Building, Room 1507, Lincoln, Nebraska, and will include participation from the Panhandle Learning Center, 4502 Ave. I, High Plains Room, Scottsbluff, Nebraska, from the State Office Building, Room 207, Second Floor, 1313 Farnam Street, Omaha, Nebraska, and from the Hastings Public Library, Second Floor, 517 West 4th Street, Hastings, Nebraska.

If there are any requests you intend to present to the Commission to consider other than with regard to the above items, you must notify the Chairman, in writing, of this request, **NO LATER THAN TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE HEARING DATE AS SET OUT ABOVE**. If anyone wishes to present written material at the hearing, twenty (20) copies of such material should be furnished to the Chairperson **TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE HEARING DATE**.

The Commission makes its determination based on weighted caseloads, adequate access to the courts by litigants, population, judicial duties, travel time and other factors necessary to assure efficiency and service of the court system.

Following the hearing, the commission will make a recommendation to the Legislature of their determination.

Commission members are:

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Any member of the public is entitled to attend the Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission hearing in Room 1507 of the State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and present, either orally or in writing, any pertinent information with regard to any item on the agenda.

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